9th October 1928]

Alleged receipt of gifts by one P. Cunnayya, Foreman, in the Government Press.

* 448 Q.—Mr. C. VENKATARANGAM NAYUDU : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that one P. Cunnayya, Foreman of the Telugu Section of the Government Press, and a prominent member of the Government Press Party who is performing Harikathas, received gifts of valuable clothes and cash on the occasion of 'Seethakalyanam' Harikatha Kalakshepam by the Government Press Party in the month of July 1928;

(b) whether receiving such gifts is not contrary to Government Servants Conduct Rules; and

(c) whether the said Cunnayya obtained the permission of the head of the department to receive the same; if not, what disciplinary action has been taken against him?

A.—(a) The action suggested in the question would be a personal and private matter with which Government are not concerned.

(b) No.

(c) The question does not arise.

Mr. C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR :—"May I know what action the Government proposes to take on the resolution passed in this House in September last?" 11-30 a.m.

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—"I think the position of the Government, as far as I remember, has been made clear in my speech."

Reversion of imposers to the frame in the Government Press.

* 449 Q.—Mr. C. VENKATARANGAM NAYUDU : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether some of the imposers of the several composing sections of the Government Press, Mint Buildings, who are not members of the Government Press Party, were reverted to the frame during the acting period of Mr. J. Mahimadas as Assistant Superintendent while Mr. Pinto was on leave; if so, how many were thus reverted, and why and how long they were working as imposers;

(b) whether to meet the demand, the imposers of the High Court section are being brought into the composing current sections the imposers of which were reverted to the frame; if so, why;

(c) whether in January 1928 one Ponnuswami, imposer, Mount Road Branch Press, was reverted to the frame by the Assistant Superintendent owing to the slackness of work; and

(d) whether the order of reversion was not given effect to because the said Ponnuswami is a member of the Party and whether he continues as imposer, and if so, why?

A.—(a) Eleven imposers who had worked as imposers for three months to five years and three months, were reverted to frame (compositor's work). Government do not know whether they belonged to the Government Press Party.